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AMENDMENT

I. INTRODUCTION

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2007 in regard to the above-identified patent application. Reconsideration of the rejection of the claims is respectfully solicited in light of the following remarks.

Please amend the Application as follows: